Cochin Transfer of Property Bill.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Transfer of Property Bill, as amended by the Council, be taken up and passed.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—I second it.

Motion put and agreed to.

A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Dissolution of Muslim marriages.

President.—Mr. Seethi is absent.

Hence the motion of Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi to introduce the bill was considered withdrawn.

Resolutions on Matters of General Public Interest. (*contd.*)

3. Throwing open of all the Government and aided Schools to all the subjects of the State.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—In seconding this resolution I may bring to the notice of the Government that there is an identical resolution standing in my name, No. 34, in the agenda paper. It reads thus:—"This Council recommends that admission be thrown open to the Depressed Classes to all schools of the State, Sirkar, aided or recognised, and that separate schools for them be abolished." Of course in this resolution, the latter part of my resolution is not included. Though the two resolutions may not be strictly identical, it is the spirit underlying these resolutions that is most important to be considered, and I am supporting this resolution not on the ground that the various schools mentioned by the Hon'ble Member for South Ezhuvas should be thrown open at this stage, but because there is some force in the argument that all schools should be thrown open to all classes as far as possible without distinction of caste or creed. I think it is the feeling of this inferiority which is associated with this exclusion that has made the mover of the resolution to bring this forward and I am sure, if we examine some of these schools, which are only 10 in number, he himself may concede that some time may be allowed before all these schools are left open. This Council, Sir, has already accepted the proposition that cosmopolitan hostels should be started and I think that resolution is only a corollary to this resolution. Schools have to be left open for admission to all classes before hostels attached to schools are left open. When once that principle of cosmopolitan hostel has been accepted, there is no use of stopping it there and that principle is to be extended to schools so far as we can. Of course there are limitations; for instance, in the last Kumbham meeting, there was a question of throwing open of roads, tanks and wells to all classes and the Council agreed

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